

Anguilla Government Statistics Department International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary - August 2009

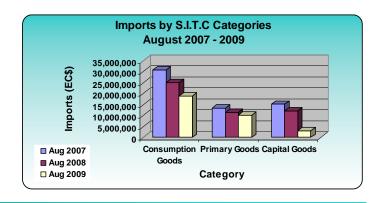
OVERVIEW

International merchandise trade, that is, the selling and buying of goods to and from sources outside Anguillian borders, for the month under review, has slowed by 32.6%. The total value of imports was down 33.0% and total exports fell by 37.0% compared to their August 2008 respective figure.

Imports, analysed by category using the Standard Industrial Trade Classification (S.I.T.C), showed a ladder of falling imports for each category from August 2007, 2008 and 2009.

Capital Goods, such as machinery and transport equipment, which was the second largest contributor to the import bill in the two earlier periods fell 73.4%

from its August 2008 figure. The two other categories, Consumption Goods and Primary Goods experienced less dramatic declines in imports by 23.9% and 10.3% respectively from their August 2008 respective figure.



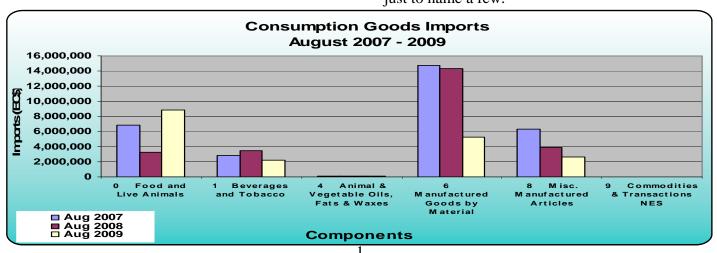
CONSUMPTION GOODS

The Consumption Goods category includes goods that are ultimately consumed rather than used in the production of another good. This category is the largest contributor to the total value of imports in Anguilla. For the period under review this category of goods accounted for EC\$19.0 million or 58.5% of August 2009 imports.

The import bill for the component Food and Live Animals in recent times experienced increases and continued to do so in 2009. For August 2009, imports of this component increased by 170.0% to EC\$8.9 million over the same period in 2008, a share of 46.6% of this category.

Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats and Waxes component also registered an increase; up by 32.7% to EC\$0.10 million. Generally, although imports in this category, continue to rise; this component tends to fluctuate from year to year, showing jumps and falls between annual periods.

With the other remaining four components in this category totalling a value of EC\$10.1 million, three of them had lower imports for August 2009 compared to August 2008. Manufactured Goods by Material that, up to this period, held the highest import value in this category fell by 62.8%, and this was partly due to a declining values of items usually used in construction such as quicklime, doors, parquet panels and blocks, just to name a few.

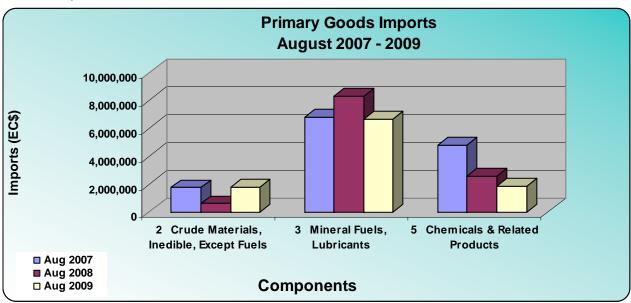


PRIMARY GOODS

The Primary Goods category totalled EC\$10.3 million or 31.7% of the total value of imports for August 2009. Compared to the same period in 2008, this was a fall in imports of primary goods by 10.3%.

This category is comprised of three components with Mineral Fuels, Lubricants accounting for the largest portion (64.7%) of imports in this category with an import bill of EC\$6.7 million. In this component, there has been a slump of 19.7% in imports although, there has been increases in imports of gases and fuels. This was due to more offsetting declines in various lubricants, oils and brake fluids. The Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels component saw an increase in this period by 197.0%; which added EC\$1.7 million to the import bill. This value for imports in this component was above the usual and a similar value was also imported in August 2007.

The import of Chemicals and Related Products was down 28.2% from the corresponding period in 2008, with an import value of EC\$1.9 million.

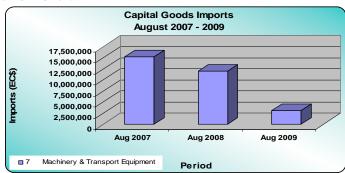


CAPITAL GOODS

The Capital Goods category comprises of a single component titled Machinery and Transport Equipment. For the period in review, this category only accounted for about a tenth (9.8%) of the total value of imports. It registered a decline of 73.4% from the corresponding period, August 2008 to a value of EC\$3.2 million compared to EC\$12.0 million in 2008.

There were comparatively low or no imports of items like vehicles, forklifts, telephone sets, ironing machines or presses, airconiditiong and other capital goods this month which contributed to the below than

average (since Aug-2004) import bill for this category this month.



EXPORTS

The value of exports, both domestic exports and re-exports for August 2009 was down 37.0% to EC\$3.0 million. This was due mainly to a heavy dip in domestic exports. But, the total value of exports was the second highest recorded value in August exports between August 1999 - 2009. With falling exports and imports, the balance of trade has narrowed this month by 32.6% to EC\$29.5 million.

Imports by SITC Categories August 2006 - 2009

Description		Aug 2006	Aug 2007	Aug 2008	Aug 2009	% Change 09/08
Consumption Goods	0 Food and Live Animals 1 Beverages and Tobacco 4 Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes 6 Manufactured Goods by Material 8 Misc. Manufactured Articles 9 Commodities & Transactions NES Sub total	2,826,018 1,176,519 68,322 5,566,515 4,200,931 0 13,838,305	6,812,341 2,865,358 115,752 14,702,020 6,362,515 0 30,857,986	3,286,095 3,485,262 78,121 14,294,955 3,885,070 0 25,029,503	8,873,029 2,165,895 103,699 5,311,710 2,582,216 117 19,036,666	170.0% -37.9% 32.7% -62.8% -33.5%
Primary Goods	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels 3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants 5 Chemicals & Related Products Sub-Total	725,664 8,926,296 2,447,264 12,099,224	1,739,586 6,805,002 4,777,042 13,321,630	597,711 8,302,997 2,584,266 11,484,974	1,775,192 6,668,060 1,856,530 10,299,782	197.0% -19.7% -28.2% - 10.3%
Capital Goods	7 Machinery & Transport Equipment Total	12,646,864 38,584,393	15,246,535 59,426,151	12,042,224 48,556,701	3,201,058 32,537,506	-73.4% -33.0%

International Merchandise Trade Statistics (EC\$) August 2007 – 2009

	August 2007	August 2008	August 2009	% Change 09/08
IMPORTS (I)	59,426,151	48,556,701	32,537,506	(33.0)
EXPORTS (X)	1,779,550	4,761,894	3,000,029	(37.0)
BALANCE (X-I)	(57,646,601)	(43,794,807)	(29,537,477)	(32.6)

This report along with other Trade data, are available at the Government of Anguilla Statistics Department's website: http://gov.ai/statistics/external.htm

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